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Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR USING NAMES IN VIRTUAL

NETWORKS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- Application- Cover Page plus 157 pages, including 3 independent claim(s) and 1. 15 claims total.
- Drawings- 61 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-5, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, 9A, 9B, 10A-10C. 2. 11A-11G, 12-14, 15A-15C, 16A, 16B, and 17-48).

This application is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/814,178, filed March 22, 2001. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

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